

NEVADA/CALIFORNIA INDIAN HOUSING ASSOCIATION

RESOLUTION NO. 2003-04

RESOLUTION OF THE NEVADA/CALIFORNIA INDIAN HOUSING ASSOCIATION DIRECTING HUD TO BECOMING AN ACTIVE PARTICIPANT IN THE NEGOTIATED RULEMAKING COMMITTEE

WHEREAS, Nevada/California Indian Housing Assistance is interested in assisting Tribes, Housing Authorities, and Tribally designated Housing entities to increase their knowledge of "Native American Housing Assistance and Self Determination Act of 1996" (PL.104-330), and

WHEREAS, there are currently 110 federally recognized Tribes in California and 27 federally recognized Tribes in Nevada; and

WHEREAS, the Nevada/California Indian Housing Association is concerned that the funding formula provide sufficient funds to assist all Tribes, including small Tribes, in providing adequate housing that is decent, safe, affordable and sanitary, for their members;

WHEREAS, the Native American Housing Assistance and Self Determination Act of 1996 mandates in 24 CFR 1000.306, that the United States Department of Housing & Urban Development (HUD) revise the funding formula by establishing a Negotiated Rulemaking committee; and

WHEREAS, Nevada/California Indian Housing Association believes that United States Department of Housing & Urban Development (HUD) officials have an on-going responsibility to address funding inequities resulting from the current funding formula, and to negotiate in good faith with Tribes and the Negotiated Rulemaking committee, and

WHEREAS, United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) has suggested that if the Negotiated Rulemaking committee were not able to come to a consensus and approve a new formula, the existing formula would remain in place.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Nevada/California Indian Housing Association directs the United States Department of Housing & Urban Development (HUD) to uphold their Trust responsibility to Tribes by establishing and reporting their position regarding the formula funding as it affects Tribes in the States of California and Nevada. The United States Department of Housing & urban

Development (HUD), by becoming an active participant in the Negotiated Rulemaking committee and actively negotiating with Tribes; and by being a good faith broker within these negotiations and providing a position on the formula to the Tribes, will expedite and facilitate the Negotiated Rulemaking process amongst the Tribes.

CERTIFICATION

The foregoing Resolution 2003-04 was adopted by Nevada/California Indian Housing Association at a duly called meeting of August 12, 2003, Lake Tahoe, Nevada by a vote of unanimous consent.



Phil Bush, Chairman
Nevada/California Indian Housing Association

Attest: 

Lorita Silvas, Secretary
Nevada/California Indian Housing Association